

# Lunken Airport Oversight Advisory Board

## May 14, 2001

### Board Members present:

Rob Rubin, Chairperson	North Community Representative
Steve Shaw, Vice-Chairperson	East Community Representative
Krissi Barr	At-Large Representative
Mike Conaton	Corporate User Representative
Scot Conover	West Community Representative
Tom Edwards	Fixed Base User Representative
Mike Lacinak	South Community Representative
Joe Llamas	Private User Representative
Eric Partee	Recreational/Environmental Representative

### City Staff present:

Dennis Murphey	Director of Environmental Management
Kevin Shepard	General Services Director
Dan Dickten	Airport Manager
Steve Fagel	Assistant City Solicitor
Bob Wessel	Noise Compatibility Planner
Elaine Luchi	Administrative Technician

### Call to Order and Opening Remarks

Mr. Rubin called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. in the Airport Terminal Lobby.

### Review and Approval of March 12, 2001 and March 26, 2001 Minutes

Mr. Conaton introduced a motion to approve the March 12, 2001 minutes as written. The motion was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

Mr. Rubin recommended that the following be removed from Page 2 of the March 26 minutes: "Note: Airport Management is seeking FAA, ODOT, and legal counsel as to the legality of paragraph two of Mr. Rubin's resolution and its potential violation of the Grant Assurances between the City and FAA." He also expressed concern that he was unaware of an abstention indicated in the record from the vote regarding the Part 150 Study. In the future, abstentions should be voiced during the vote. Mr. Shaw moved to adopt the minutes without the above language. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

### Report by Steve Shaw regarding the April 18, 2001 Community Meeting

A summary of the Community Meeting is attached. He acknowledged Mr. Lacinak and thanked him for his efforts. The next Community Meeting is planned for October as originally scheduled, although the Representatives may decide to hold more than two per year.

The time of the monthly Board meetings was an issue raised at the Community Meeting. After some discussion it was decided that the LAOAB would meet at 5:30 p.m. (instead of 4:00 p.m.) the second Monday of the month with the hope that this will better accommodate those citizens interested in attending the meetings.

Report of City Administration/Board Question and Answer Period

Mr. Dickten and Mr. Fagel reported that after FAA, ODOT, and legal counsel review there were no legal issues with regard to the second paragraph of the adopted resolution from the March 26 meeting.

Mr. Dickten then discussed possible scheduled service by Pan American Airways and distributed an informational memo. Mr. Ladinak asked that the Board be kept apprised on the status of Pan Am or any other potential air carrier.

The results of the pavement analysis are not complete, but should be ready to be presented at the June meeting.

Mr. Wessel updated the Board on the RFP for the Part 150 Noise Study. The Airport received two proposals and is awaiting cost information from both consultants.

Mr. Murphey briefed the Board on the process by which the resolution of the March 26 meeting will be taken up by City Council. The City Administration will submit a report to Council with its recommendation. The item will be referred to the appropriate Committee, most likely the Community Development and Intergovernmental Committee. The CD&IG Committee meets on Mondays at 1:00 p.m. and the Administration will inform the LAOAB of the date it will be on the agenda. Mr. Rubin suggested that he and Mr. Shaw represent the LAOAB in addressing City Council with the Board's position.

Public Question and Answer Period

The Board heard comments from several of those in attendance. There was a question as to finding an alternate location for future meetings. Mr. Dickten will explore possibilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

## **LAOAB Neighborhood Meeting April 18, 2001**

### **SUMMARY**

The meeting was conducted by Rob Rubin, Mike Lacinak, Scott Conover and Steve Shaw. Also present from the LAOAB were Tom Edwards and Joe Llamas. Various member of Lunken Airport management were present including Dan Dickten and Bob Wessel. A representative from the office of Jim Tarbell, Cincinnati City Council, was present.

We began a meeting with a series of presentations that covered the creation of the board, the history and purpose of the board and the Board's expectations for the future. We described the actions that have been taken by the Board to date, including the recommendation for a Part 150 Study. PB Aviation made a presentation regarding the nature of a Part 150 study and the mechanics and elements of such a study.

We followed the presentations with a question and answer session. During this period, we received a number of comments, most of which pertained to noise issues and the Board's role in controlling development and in improving the noise conditions. The first speaker was Ms. Lunken, whose grandfather donated the land for the airport. She advocated the continued development and preservation of the airport. She raised the issue regarding a condition in the lease with a reversionary interest to her family. This issue should be understood by the board and the City.

There were several comments regarding the time of the Board's meetings specifically and communication with the public generally. The community representatives intend to address the communication issues, with the assistance of the rest of the Board, but one of the most significant issues is the time of our meeting. We agreed to seek a time for the meeting that might be more convenient for those who work.

There were a couple of direct "challenges" to the community representatives with respect to our "representation" of the viewpoints of the community members. We attempted to respond to these comments and to give assurances of our intent to represent the neighborhoods, but reminded the community members that we must represent all interests, including the interest of the city in the preservation of this important asset. We also urged the community members to continue to voice their concerns to City Council. We indicated that we could only make recommendations to the City and the public needs to make City Council aware of their concerns. We were also asked if the public's concerns will be communicated to City Council and we reported that we would do our best to do so, but that since we are a recommending body, we have limited communication opportunities with council. After the meeting, several community members expressed concern that we would not fully represent their positions as members of the Board. It is apparent that the community members want to make sure that the community representatives on the board make their voices heard and represent their best interests on the Board.

It is apparent that a number of people continue to have noise issues with operations to and from

the airport. Many did not know of Bob Wessel's services and many did not know to whom to address their concerns. We need to better educated the residents as to their options and the opportunities for them to notify the airport of specific noise issues.

It is also apparent that the Board needs to continue to search for better methods of communicating the Board's activities and meetings to the public. We will explore the potential for a Listserve to broadcast information via email to interested parties.